SUBJECTS.

Dewan.—Why don't you go through the cart roads?

The Member said that there was no way for getting from one cart road to another. The next road the Member referred to was the Western Outlet Road and he said that several parts of this road were in an unfinished state and he urged the necessity for completing the same.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

Improvement of means of communication in the Shertallai taluk.

Mr. N. Padmanabha Pillai (Member, Shertallai taluk) stated that the major portion of the Shertallai taluk was a sandy waste and that, there being no means of communication, the people had no other alternative than to walk along the sand to their great discomfort and misery, with the result that they were affected by ague, elephantiasis, leprosy and such like diseases. The proposed canal, the construction of which had not yet been begun, would run only through a part of the taluk, and it did not answer the purpose for even half of the taluk. The Member urged the necessity for having two cartable roads, one from Alleppey to Aroor and the other from Shertallai to Thaneermukom, with necessary bridges over the canals intersecting the roads, and said that these would not only afford a great deal of relief to the inhabitants in regard to their means of communication, but would also afford facilities for trade.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

Improvement of means of communication in the Meenachil taluk.

Mr. C. Mathen Mappila (Member, Meenachil taluk) said that the agricultural and industrial condition of the taluk was ever at a stand-still, owing to the want of cartable roads to connect important villages. The construction of a road from the 3rd mile of the Lalam Poonjar road to the Ponkunnam road, for which a sum of Rs. 25,000 was sanctioned, had not yet been begun, but on enquiry, the Member learnt that the sanctioned amount was for improving the Ponkunnam Lalam road. This road, he said, was in good condition and needed no repair and he requested that the sum sanctioned might be utilized for constructing a village road from the Barananganom school to Vazhamoottam. The Member, then referred to the necessity for opening the following feeder cart roads:—

(1) From the Sircar school in Barananganom to Payika on the Lalam Ponkunnam road, to connect the *pakuthies* of Barananganom and Meenachil.

(2) From Erattupetah through the Meenachil Proverthy Cutcherry to the Mutholi landing place, to connect Kondoor, Meenachil and Puliyanoor.

(3) From the Thidanad Pagoda to Vilaguparakkadavoo connecting Kondoor and Barananganom.

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